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Joseph P. Addabbo Jr.

## Addabbo hosts a spring food drive to help support three local food pantries

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After a successful round of food drives earlier this year, State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. is hosting a Spring Food Drive to help three local food pantries.

This food drive will go to benefit the Sacred Heart food pantry in Glendale, the Our Lady of Grace food pantry in Howard Beach, and the St. Camillus food pantry in Rockaway Park.

Two of Addabbo's district offices — in Middle Village and Howard Beach — will be drop off points for the Sacred Heart pantry and Our Lady of Grace pantry, respectively. St. Camillus Church located at 99-15 Rockaway Beach Boulevard, and Last Stop Gourmet Shop, located at 222 Beach 116th Street in Rockaway, will be drop off locations for the St. Camillus pantry.

Food will be collected for this drive until May 31.

"I was absolutely thrilled to see how successful the Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day food drives were — all thanks to the generous members of the community," Addabbo said. "Since the pandemic has forced a lot of businesses to close and hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers to lose their jobs, many more of our neighbors may be in need of food. Having full community food pantries is one of our most important tools in battling food insecurity."

Non-perishable items that are needed include:

- Canned vegetables and fruit;
- Cereals;
- Crackers and snacks;
- Pasta and rice;
- Soups, stews and chili;
- Cooking oil;
- Dried herbs and spices; and
- Additional non-perishable foods.

Addabbo's Middle Village office is located at 66-85 73rd Place in Middle Village, and the Howard Beach office is located at 159-53 102nd Street in Howard Beach, and will be open from

9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, accepting donations. All COVID-19 safety protocols will be enforced when entering one of Addabbo's offices.

"I want to thank everyone who participated in my previous food drives, as well as the Last Stop Gourmet Shop for being a drop off location," Addabbo concluded. "Together we can work to end hunger in our communities."

For more information on this food drive, call Addabbo's office at 718-738-1111.